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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Howard Perkins, Jr. of Peoria, who passed away on April 5, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Perkins, Jr. was born in Birmingham, Alabama to Howard, Sr. and Tinnie Mae (Robinson) Perkins on December 11, 1930; he joined the United States Air Force in November of 1948, at the age of 17; he married Aurthur Mae Rice in Peoria on February 27, 1963; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Perkins, Jr. worked for Caterpillar Inc. for over 30 years, retiring in 1985; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Perkins, Jr. was a faithful member of Star of Hope Full Gospel Church for over 30 years, where he served as Deacon, Trustee, and Maintenance Supervisor; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Perkins, Jr. was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Michael Perkins; his daughter, Nina Gaynelle Moore; and his granddaughter, Feliza McElmurry; and

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WHEREAS, Howard Perkins, Jr. is survived by his wife of 61 years, Aurthur; four sons, Darnell Hannah, Howard Wesley (Cynthia) Perkins, Lloyd Anthony Perkins, and Lawrence Quentin

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1 Perkins; 12 grandchildren, Marcus Rice, David Gaines, Tabitha
2 Hannah-Lewis, Keisha Lucas, Portia Perkins, Brittany Perkins,
3 Cedric Hannah, Michael Perkins, Jr., Halo Perkins, Micah
4 Perkins, Stephon Hayden, and Tonya Hayden; seven
5 great-grandchildren, two of whom are being raised as daughters,
6 Kadeja McElmurry and Alexis McElmurry; two
7 great-great-grandchildren; a special brother-in-law, Rev.
8 Herschel (Yvette) Hannah; special cousins from Ohio; a
9 Godchild, Andrae (Sonia) Holliday, Sr.; a host of other family
10 and friends; and his church family, who all truly adored him;
11 therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
13 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
14 mourn the passing of Howard Perkins, Jr. and extend our sincere
15 condolences to his family and friends and all who knew and
16 loved him; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Howard Perkins, Jr. as an expression
19 of our deepest sympathy.